Naeem Gujjar re-elected as Islamabad bar president

ISLAMABAD: In the annual elections of the Islamabad Bar Association (IBA) for the year 2026, Chaudhry Naeem Ali Gujjar was elected president, while Raja Khawar Dhaniyal secured the post of secretary, according to unofficial results.

Polling was held at the Islamabad Judicial Complex, where voting continued from 8am to 4pm, with a break for food and prayers from 1pm to 2pm. More than 4,200 lawyers were eligible to exercise their right to vote for six key office-bearer positions, including president, vice president, secretary, joint secretary, additional secretary and library secretary.

The presidential contest had become a four-way race following the withdrawal of Hafiz Malik Mazhar Javed. Chaudhry Naeem Ali Gujjar, Raja Yasir Shakeel, Mian Arshad Javed and Shabana Rafique were in the run for the top slot.

According to the unofficial results announced by the Election Board Chairman Qazi Rafiuddin Babar and other members, Chaudhry Naeem Ali Gujjar clinched the presidency with 1,214 votes. His rivals Raja Yasir Shakeel secured 870 votes, Shabana Rafique 90 votes, while Mian Arshad Javed received 79 votes.

For the vice-presidential post, Irum Rashid emerged victorious with 1,405 votes, defeating Bilqyas Mahmood Khattak, who obtained 812 votes. Raja Khawar Dhaniyal won the secretary's post with 1,595 votes, while his opponent Muhammad Sohail Khurshid Gujjar bagged 654 votes.

In the contest for joint secretary, Imran Khan Kakar secured 1,245 votes, defeating Sanaullah Bugti, who received 952 votes. Fariha Jafar Bajwa was elected additional secretary with 1,228 votes against Asma Bashir Bangash's 948 votes. For the post of library secretary, Darnajaf won with 1,188 votes, while Syeda Nazish Naqvi secured 1,029 votes.

Strict security arrangements were in place at the judicial complex in view of the elections. Additional security personnel were deployed, strict checking was carried out at entry points, and the entry of unrelated persons into the premises was completely banned to ensure a smooth polling process.

Following the announcement of the results, lawyers supporting the successful candidates raised slogans and celebrated their victory.

The newly elected office-bearers thanked the legal fraternity for their support and pledged to take concrete steps for the welfare and betterment of lawyers.
— Malik Asad

Project launched for solarisation of schools in Rawalpindi district

Rs0.8 million will be spent on solar panels in each primary and Rs1m in each higher secondary school, says DEA chief

By Aamir Yasin

RAWALPINDI: The District Education Authority Rawalpindi has launched a project worth Rs116 million to convert 126 primary and high schools to solar energy.

Talking to *Dawn*, District Education Authority Chief Executive Officer Tariq Mehmood said work on the solarisation of government schools had been started at a cost of Rs116 million.

He said in the first step, Government Girls Higher Secondary School Dheri Hassanabad was transformed into a solar school. He added that the school accommodated more than 1,200 students, and it became a model school in the province.

He explained that as per the plan, Rs0.8 million would be spent on solar panels in each primary school, while Rs1 million would be spent on each higher secondary school.

Further, after the solarisation, science laboratories in the schools will be opened for students without any hurdle.

Mr Mehmood said electricity charges had increased in the schools over the last many years and the government wanted to save money to smoothly run the education system by converting schools to solar energy.

"The solarisation of schools is part of the Rs938 million development package of Punjab for the upgradation of schools in Rawalpindi district," he said.

He also said that the District Education Authority completed 50 per cent work on the construction of 197 additional rooms in 111 schools in the district at a cost of Rs437.407 million. "As many as 89 classrooms will be constructed in 54 school dangerous buildings at a cost of Rs76.7 million," he added.

CEO Tariq Mehmood said that 155 washrooms were being constructed in 87 schools while Rs47.7 million had been allocated for this, adding that 50 per cent work had been completed and the payment for 50pc work released while the government will release the remaining amount in a day or two.

Mr Mehmood stated that Rs142.7 million was being spent to construct the boundary walls of 151 schools. He said that 4,340 desks and 361 chairs will be provided to 242 schools within a month costing Rs78.116 million.

For drinking water in the schools, the CEO said a survey of the schools was conducted last month which found 47 schools in the district required water pumps. In this regard, 47 pumps will be installed in these schools to the tune of Rs39.95 million.

He said that the quality testing of water is being carried out in all the government-run schools, and filtration plants will be installed in these schools.

He said that the missing facilities will be completed within three to four months, and the children will get education in a better environment.

Apart from this, he expressed that the government-run schools in the garrison city were integrated with the Safe City Authority, and the work to install Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) cameras had been installed so far, and the remaining work is likely to be completed by January end.

He said that after the installation of solar energy system in the schools, the security cameras will run around the clock. He said that for the safety of the children, the CCTV cameras will ensure the security system.

Punjab to roll out mobile water wagons for tourists in Murree

By Our Staff Reporter

RAWALPINDI: The Punjab government will start mobile water wagon and four filtration plants at prominent places to provide free of cost clean drinking water to tourists in Murree.

This was stated by Punjab Minister for Housing Bilal Yasin during his visit to Murree on Saturday. He also inaugurated the Wasa Murree offices.

He said that according to the vision of Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz, provision of quality basic facilities to citizens and tourists is the top priority of the Punjab government.

He announced the establishment of mobile water van to provide free of cost clean drinking water to tourists during his visit to Murree.

He stated that the mobile wagon will ply on the main roads of the hill station, where people will get clean drinking water free of cost. Four filtration plants are being established on Kashmir Point, The Mall, Sunny Bank and Imambargah.

He said that the establishment of Wasa in Murree was to provide clean drinking water and develop the drainage system in Murree on modern lines. He added that the establishment of Wasa Murree will significantly improve urban facilities, and the service delivery system will be more effective.

During the visit, the minister took a detailed briefing from the officers of the Parks and Horticulture Agency (PHA), Murree and the Public Health Engineering Department on the ongoing and proposed development projects in Murree.

MNA Raja Usama Ashfaq Sarwar, Director General Punjab Wasa Tayyab Farid, Additional Commissioner Revenue Omar Kiani and Managing Director PHA Ahmed Hassan Ranjha were also present on the occasion.

The minister directed that, according to the vision of the Chief Minister of Punjab, all projects in Murree should be completed on a priority basis and all possible facilities should be provided to the citizens and tourists. Meanwhile, Provincial Minister for Housing Bilal Yasin visited the Rawalpindi Ring Road project and inspected the work.

The minister was briefed about the ongoing projects in the garrison city and upcoming development initiatives. During the briefing, highlights were shed on the important development projects, including the expansion of Rawalpindi Ring Road, Murree Road, the construction of an underpass connecting the double road Shamsabad with 9th Avenue and the construction of four modern parking plazas in the city.

The officials said that two parking plazas will be established near Kutcheri Chowk, while two will be established at Jinnah Road, Raja Bazaar. These projects will significantly improve traffic flow and reduce congestion in the city.

Winter vacations for educational institutions extended

By Our Staff Reporter

RAWALPINDI: As temperature dropped significantly in many parts of Punjab, the provincial government extended the winter vacations of public and private educational institutions by one week.

Earlier, the schools were to reopen on January 12.

According to a notification, in the wake of precarious cold waves and bad weather condition as well as to ensure safety and well-being of students, the government extended the winter vacations of all public and private schools across the province from January 12 to January 18. All schools shall re-open on January 19.

The education department asked the chief executive officers, district education authorities to ensure strict compliance.

It may be mentioned that many private schools in the garrison city remained open from January 5 and the District Education Authority launched action against them.

On the other hand, the All Pakistan Private Schools Management Association criticised the government decision to extend the vacations.

It said educational activities should start from January 12, imposing heavy fines on educational institutions during winter vacations in Attock district and issuing show-cause notices is condemnable, said association's central senior vice president Mohammad Furqan Chaudhry, north Punjab president Abrar Ahmed Khan, divisional general secretary Aamir Anwar and district president Abrar Ahmed Advocate.

In a joint statement on Saturday, they said the extension of holidays in the final phase of the academic session will adversely affect the education of children, especially the preparations for class 9th and 10th exams.

They said education minister Rana Sikandar Hayat's social media soliciting public opinion regarding further extension of holidays was against his vision and the steps taken to promote education. They condemned the heavy fines imposed on private educational institutions in the winter and demanded the withdrawal of the decision.

Meanwhile, District Education Authority Chief Executive Officer Tariq Mehmood said the authority would not let open private schools as per directives of the government.

He said as the temperature dropped in Rawalpindi and Murree, parents demanded to extend the winter vacation for the safety and health of their children. He said monitoring teams had been formed and fines would be imposed on violators of government directives.

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			2019	
	Suzuki GD110S	6	2021	
			2024	
Car	Suzuki Ravi Ambulance	2	2017	National Foods Limited, Plot # A-393, Nooriabad Industrial State Jamshoro, Sindh. Contact: Bilal Saeed cell # 03456363939
			2014	
	KIA Picanto AT	2	2022 & 2023	
	Suzuki Alto VXR	3	2021	
			2022	
			2021	
	Suzuki Cultus VXR	1	2020	
	Suzuki Swift MT	1	2015	
	Toyota Camery	1	2014	
	Toyota Fortuner Sigma 4	1	2019	
	KIA Picanto AT	1	2023	National Foods Limited, Plot # 346, 347, Phase III M3 Industrial City, RIPAIC, Faisalabad. Contact: Amir Khan cell # 3002211805.
	Suzuki Alto VXR	1	2022	
Truck	Mazda Truck	1	2000	

- Vehicles can be inspected on as is where is basis from 12 January 2026 to 15 January 2026 at the above-specified locations between 10:00 a.m. and 04:00 p.m.
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  Address: Waqar Ul Haque, National Foods Limited, 12/CL-6, Claremont Road, Civil Lines, Karachi or put in the box provided at the reception.
- The bid form can be collected from the designated vehicle inspection area. The bid form must be filled out completely with all required information and duly acknowledged.
- Completed bid forms must be submitted maximum by 20 January 2026.
- Bids received after the due date and time, and/or without the required earnest money, will not be entertained. Bidders must submit separate earnest money for each vehicle they wish to bid for.
- Lump-sum payments for multiple bids will be rejected. Incomplete bids will not be entertained.
- Bids received by 20 January 2026 will be opened internally on 22 January 2026.
- Upon allotment, the successful bidder(s) must deposit the full bid amount, inclusive of 17% sales tax. In addition, 10% income tax (calculated on the price inclusive of sales tax) must also be deposited within three (03) working days of allotment.
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HEAD OF WORKPLACE SERVICES

KARACHI SHIPYARD & ENGINEERING WORKS LTD.

TENDER NOTICE

Karachi Shipyard & Engineering Works Limited, West Wharf, Dockyard Road, Karachi invites Sealed Bids from Firms/Contractors, registered with FBR & SRB regarding GST/SST for the execution of following works:

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Interested firms may obtain Bidding Documents on a written request and on payment of Non-refundable amount of Pak Rupees 2000/- in the form of Pay Order/ Cheque/ Cash in favor of "Karachi Shipyard and Engineering Works Ltd (**KS&EW**). Documents containing detailed Terms and Conditions are available for interested bidders at the office of General Manager (Yard Engineering), during working hours from 0900 hours to 1600 hours. Alternatively, the Bidding documents can also be downloaded from KS&EW's website.

The bids are to be submitted in the office of General Manager, Yard Engineering of KS&EW on **30 Jan 2026**, at 10:00 am. The Technical & Financial Bids will be opened the same day at 10:30 a.m & 11:00 a.m respectively in the presence of Bidders representatives, who wish to attend. The financial Bids of the technically-rejected bidders will be returned unopened.

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General Manager (Yard Engineering)
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Karachi Shipyard & Engineering Works Limited, West Wharf, Karachi, invites quotations for the Supply of Local Purchase items (on free delivery at KSEW basis), Foreign Purchase tender item (on CFR Karachi basis) respectively:

Tender No.	Description	Due Date
FPR-11116	Grit Recovery System (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	20-02-2026 Note: Suppliers/Firms are required to submit quotation on CFR Karachi basis. The cost of items & freight should be mentioned separately in commercial quotation.
FPR-11117	Abrasive Grit Blasting Machine (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	03-02-2026
LPR-9854/02	Plasma Machine Parts (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	
LPR-10199/02	Paint & Thinner (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	
LPR-10926	Misc. Electrical Items (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	
LPR-11115	Pneumatic Airless Painting Machine (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	
LPR-11126	MS Plates (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	
LPR-11128	Gouging Cable (As per KSEW Tender Enquiry Specification)	

The Suppliers / Bidders are informed that Single Stage (Two Envelope Bidding) process is opted for all tender cases. Therefore, suppliers are required to submit (i) Technical Offer and (ii) Commercial Offer separately at tender due date.

Tender Documents can be downloaded from KS&EW website: www.karachishipyard.com.pk and PPRA website: www.ppra.org.pk. However, the supplier/contractor are required to purchase the bidding documents on payment of Rs.2,000/-(each) from Procurement Department at least a day before tender due dates from 09:00 to 15:30 Hrs. Bidders stationed out of Karachi may obtain tender documents through courier service.

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